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One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith.

1. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication No. 11-46343, published February 16, 1999.
2. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication No. 11-259507, published September 24, 1999.
3. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication No. 9-282282, published October 31, 1997.

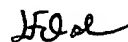
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Cited Literature No. 1, 2 and 3

Remarks: Cited Example 1 describes the point of controlling video recording by comparing a face image, Cited Example 2 describes the point of comparing a target object, and Cited Example 3 describes the point of comparing a voice signal. The point of normalizing during comparison and the point of delivering or distributing video or audio does not go beyond common knowledge.

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List of Cited Literature

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